



COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

FY 2004 - 2005  
PROJECT APPLICATION FORM

Date: January 19, 2004

- A. Applicant (Group, Agency, etc.) Name and Address  
Watermen s Museum

309 Water street, P. O. Box 519  
Yorktown, Virginia 23690

Telephone - 757 887 2641

- B. Project Sponsor (if different than above) Name and Address  
Same

- C. Responsible Person/Title - Sponsor John Hanna, President, Board of Directors

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- D. Project Manager \_\_\_\_\_

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- E. Transportation Enhancement Categories (Check all that apply)

- ☐ 1. Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities
- ☐ 2. Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety and Educational Activities
- ☒ 3. Scenic Easements and Scenic or Historic Sites
- ☐ 4. Scenic or Historic Highway Program
- ☒ 5. Landscaping and Other Scenic Beautification
- ☒ 6. Historic Preservation
- ☐ 7. Rehabilitation and Operation of Historic Transportation Building, Structures, or Facilities
- ☐ 8. Preservation of Abandoned Railway Corridor
- ☐ 9. Control and Removal of Outdoor Advertising
- ☐ 10. Archaeological Planning and Research
- ☐ 11. Mitigation of Pollution Due to Highway Run-off and Wildlife Protection
- ☐ 12. Establish Transportation Museums

Watermen s Museum Expansion and Improvement utilizing recently

- F. Project Title: acquired additional property plus partial Hurricane recovery.

- G. Project Description:

See attached - three pages

- H. Date of Public Hearing: \_\_\_\_\_  
(attach a copy of the public notice)

- I. Date of Local Government Resolution of Endorsement: \_\_\_\_\_  
(attach a copy of the resolution)

- J. Date of MPO Resolution of Endorsement: NA  
(attach a copy of the resolution - Indicate NA if not applicable)

- K. Ownership (who will own/maintain the completed project?):

Watermen s Museum

L. Federal Enhancement Funds Requested In This Application \$ 520,000 (federal funds only)  
Maximum 80% of Project Cost  
Do not include any previous allocations or future phases!

M. Match Required \$ 120,000  
Minimum 20% of Project Cost

N. Match Breakdown by Source (include in-kind/donations)	Status (confirmed/anticipated)	Amount
York County - Pier expansion	Confirmed	\$ 15,000
Contributions Museum Members & Friends (pier)	Confirmed	\$ 18635
Contributions Museum Members & Friends	Confirmed	\$ 11248
Hampton Yacht Club- pilings	Confirmed	\$ 40000
Watermen s Museum Foundation	Anticipated	\$ 50000

O. Other Funding Sources Available (beyond match requirement)	Status (confirmed/anticipated)	Amount
Applied for Grant - York County	Anticipated	\$ 100000
Applied for Grant - Verizon	Anticipated	\$

P. Relationship to a Previously Funded Enhancement Project  
None

Q. Project Budget: Attach Complete Budget Projection including design, land acquisition, utility relocations, and construction costs - If project includes multiple phases, separate budget by phases. Budget Projection should be a total project cost including federal and non-federal funds.

R. Project Budget Summary:

Preliminary Engineering (planning and design)	\$ <u>15,000</u>	
Right-of-way (land acquisition/easements)	\$ <u>none</u>	
Utility Relocation	\$ <u>none</u>	
Construction/Implementation	\$ <u>635,000</u>	
TOTAL	\$ <u>650,000</u>	(federal & non-federal costs)

S. Selection Criteria: Complete Attachment A - attach additional sheets if needed.

T. Sponsor Signature (responsible person)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### MAILING ADDRESS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Please mail FIVE copies of your completed application package to the following address:

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## G. Project Description.

**First:** Complete the 40 foot outboard expansion of the Museum's pier including the 20' x 36 T-head with electrically operated Vessel boarding ramp and the new 114 foot mooring dock in accordance with the drawings D&CSULT2.003 sheets 1, 2 & 3 dated 3/11/02 approved by Virginia Marine Resources Commission, U. S. Army Engineer Corps, York County Wetlands Board and other appropriate regulatory agencies and the Permits issued to the Watermen's Museum in July 2002.. This portion of the project is to include installation of Utilities for the entire pier including that portion noted below being accomplished with separate funding as follows: (a) 110/120 VAC 200 ampere electric service panel and required wiring with a minimum of six weather proof service outlets, lighting plus electric service to the Vessel boarding ramp; and (b) Fresh water piping with a minimum of four hose outlets plus appropriate cold weather drain outlets.

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Restoration of the original Museum pier destroyed during Hurricane "ISABEL" is to be done separately utilizing Funding from other sources rather than Funds being applied for herein and pilings donated to Watermen's Museum by the Hampton Yacht Club of Hampton, VA.

The restoration of the original Museum pier destroyed by Hurricane "ISABEL" and the installation of the previously approved pier expansion will permit the continuation of the Museum's contracts with the owners and operators of the "MISS YORKTOWN", "SEASPRAY" and "YORKTOWN LADY", substantially increased and more adequate mooring facilities for the work boats and other vessels during the annual "WATERMEN'S HERITAGE CELEBRATION" plus other anticipated events, and for future use by small to medium size cruise ships and/or their tenders.

**Second:** Construction of a new relocated enlarged Watermen's Museum Gift Shop building. It is proposed this new building be a 26' 6" wide by 72' long one story modular type building with 1920 square feet of floor space constructed on the recently acquired property on the West side of the Museum property. The ground and foundation under this new building will be engineered to raise the actual elevation of building to above the flood plain similar to that presently existing for the Museum main galleries building. Adequate utilities are to be provided including 120/240 VAC 200 ampere electric service, fresh water supply, water heater, natural gas heating plus air conditioning. This building will be provided with public access facilities that will meet Americans With Disabilities Act. In addition the interior of this building will house the Museum's growing maritime reference library (including the Museum's "oral History" video and cassette tapes) plus a public reading room.

The original four room building which previously housed the Museum's Gift Shop was seriously flooded and damaged by Hurricane "ISABEL" Restoration of this building would be as or nearly as expensive as the above proposed relocated new building. In addition, this building was the original office of the Hornsby Oil Company, is located partially on the right of way for Water Street (S.R. 1020) and York County authorities want it removed.

**Third:** Construction of new relocated and enlarged Boat Shop building. It is proposed this new shop building will be 30' wide by 60' long permanent type wood building with a framed peaked roof, concrete block foundation with water flow through accommodation under, full wood floor, work benches, storage cabinets and ladder accessible loft storage above. Interior of building will also house a model restoration area plus a public viewing space. Included is 120/240 VAC 200 amp electric service plus electric heating located above the flood plain. Machinery tools from the old shop will be moved into the new shop. One set of doors will be 14' wide to permit moving of boats/equipment in and out. Outside along the East wall of the building will be a lean-to shelter for storage of lumber and other materials. This new enlarged building will permit the restoration and/or building of Chesapeake Bay style boats up to 40' long. The present 20' wide by 30' long boat shop does not provide such capabilities and is to be renovated as a Gallery as noted below.

G. Project Description (continued).

**Fourth:** Construction of a new Boat Display Shed. It is proposed this building will be 40 foot wide by 80 foot long pole type shed with an angled wood roof, wood siding, and graded gravel floor. One of the 80 foot sides are to contain sliding wood doors to permit opening the display area to permit more accessible Visitor viewing of the displayed boats during warm weather periods. Overhead 120 VAC lighting supplied from the new Boat Shop electric service panel is to be included.

Initially the SHAD BATEAU and LOG CANOE that have been on display on the Museum grounds are to be moved into this new Display Shed. In the past the Museum has had other boats displayed outside on the Museum grounds, one of which "PALE MOON" was destroyed and a second "SKIPPY" badly damaged by Hurricane "ISABEL". Further, display of Boat in unsheltered outside spaces causes serious deterioration of these artifacts even though significant maintenance is continuously provided. Over the past several years the Museum has been offered donations of other Chesapeake Bay type boats, but has turned down such offerings due to not having adequate protected display areas. With the addition of this new Boat Display Shed will permit the Watermen's Museum to substantially increase its collections of these significant historical artifacts.

**Fifth:** It is proposed the 20 foot wide by 30 foot long building that is presently referred to as the Boat Shop be completely renovated and converted for use as a sixth exhibit gallery building. Renovation would include sheet rock covering of four interior walls and ceiling, insulation, attractively paint refinishing of the interior walls and ceiling, installation of wood plank type flooring over the present plywood floor, adequate heating plus air conditioning, replacing the present rough double doors on the North Wall with suitable doors similar to the other building doors and installation of appropriate Gallery display articles.

It is proposed this renovated Gallery Six be utilized for display of small rowing or sailing type boats, antique outboard/inboard type engines, Ship Chandlery type artifacts, etc. The addition of this building as Museum Gallery six plus once Gallery Five in the Main Museum Building is vacated by the present temporary Gift Shop and Gallery Five is re-established, the Museum's interior Galleries will be substantially increased.

**Sixth:** It is proposed to replace the present activity tent with its 32 foot by 60 foot wood floor under with a permanent Pavillion 36 foot wide by 75 foot long with a peaked wood roof, wood pole type up-right supports for the roof, poured concrete sub-base under with wood overlay flooring and adequate permanent lighting system. Included also will be drop curtains with "Eisenglass" type windows for all four sides.

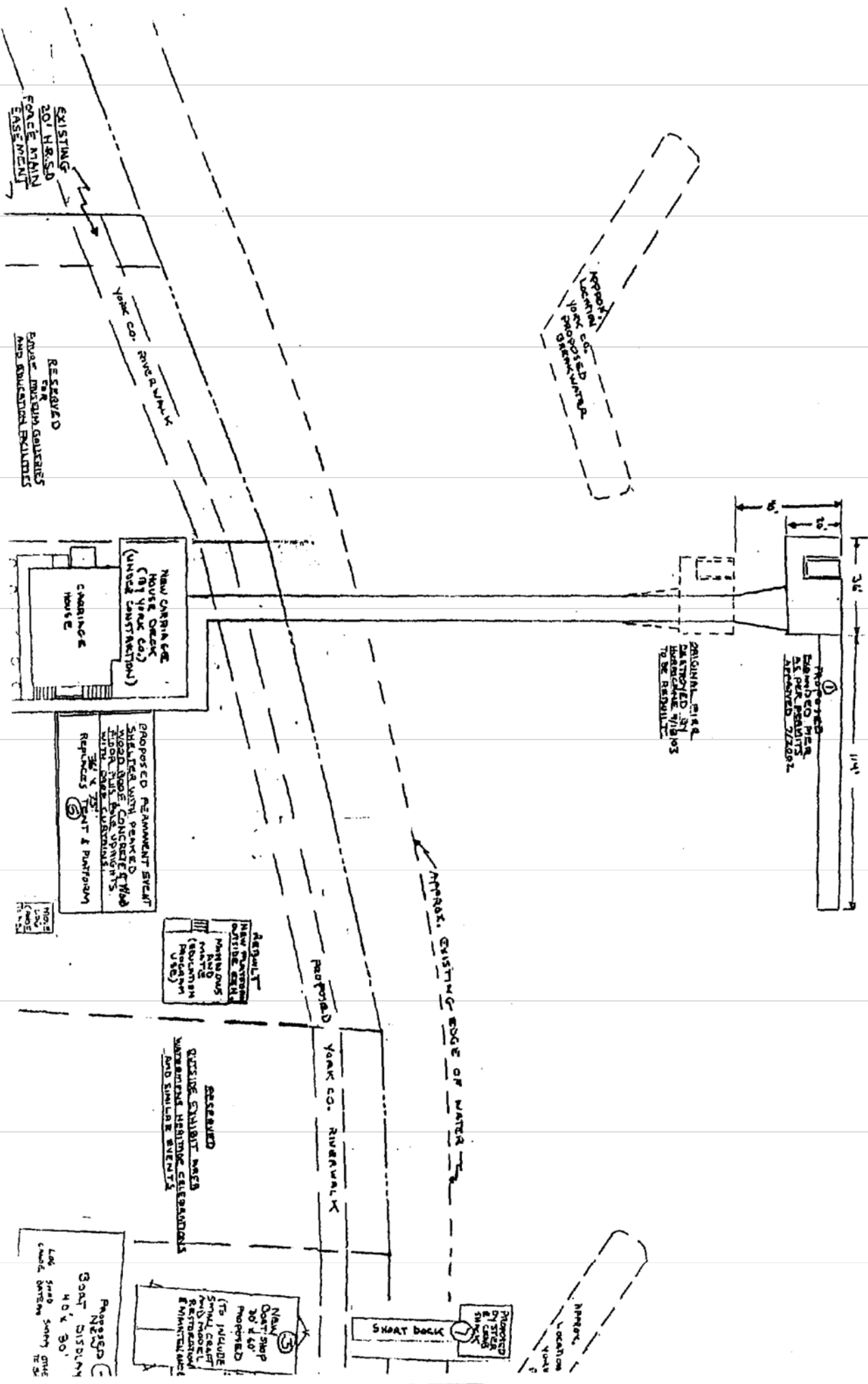
The existing Tent and its wood floor has been used for many special events including the annual "Watermen's Heritage Celebration", Other Museum Fund Raising & Membership events, Celebrate Yorktown Committee's annual "Lighted Boat Parade" Reception, York County Industrial Development Administration's annual events, etc. plus it has been rented out by the Museum in conjunction with the Carriage House and its deck to the public for numerous receptions, weddings, parties, etc. The existing tent facility on many occasions has been only marginal for a planned event. In addition the tent must be taken down each winter season or prior to predicted severe weather. Further, the tent itself was recently totally replaced after only several seasons of use and is constantly in need of repairs and cleaning by the Norfolk Tent Company.

**Seventh:** It is proposed to build a 8 foot wide by 40 foot long small pier with 20 foot by 20 foot T-head on existing previously installed pilings (replacing those original pilings if found necessary) with a replica reproduction of a historical Oyster shucking/crab picking house on the T-head. Appropriate oyster and crab equipment will be placed on display. Museum Visitors will be able to view a replica of a site typical of the Chesapeake Bay of the past.

**G. Project Description (continued).**

**Eighth:** The area under the shed type cover that has been over the present location of the LOG CANOE, once the LOG CANOE has been moved to the new Boat Display Shed, is to be leveled and fitted with a wood decking to better permit the display of the various outside exhibit equipment and fishing gear. The displays platform around the "Minnows & Mates" building will be similarly refurbished for display of outside exhibit equipment and fishing gear. Platforms in both areas are to be adequately secured down to prevent their being displaced by tidal surges should there be future severe storms. Refurbishing these two areas will significantly enhance displays for the Visitors to the Watermen's Museum.

**Ninth:** Provide for the complete renovation, realignment and upgrading of the Museum's parking facilities including adequate provision for handicap parking spaces plus the landscaping of the entire facility in a manner consistent with the York County Waterfront Redevelopment Program and Riverwalk Project, the Yorktown Historical District and the recently implemented Yorktown Architectural Guide Lines. Landscaping along the York County Riverwalk across the water front side of the Museum property is to be accomplished by York County with the remainder required to be accomplished by the Watermen's Museum as part of this entire proposed Project.



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**Q. Project Budget.**

1. Complete 40' Pier outboard expansion including  
20'x 36' pier head with electric Vessel boarding ramp  
and new 114' mooring dock. -----New Construction ----- \$192,000.00
  2. Construct new relocated enlarged 26' 6" x 72' Gift  
Shop including provision for Museum Maritime Library  
and Public Reading Room all engineered for grading  
and foundation to raise all above the Flood plain -----New Construction ----- \$110,000.00
  3. Construct new relocated and enlarged 40'x 60'  
Boat Shop building with peaked roof, concrete bock  
foundation, wood floor and heating plus outside  
lean-to shelter for lumber and other material storage -----New Construction ----- \$100,000.00
  4. Construct new 40' x 80' pole type Boat Display shed  
with graded gravel floor and sliding doors on one side. --- New Construction ----- \$80,000.00
  5. Fully renovate 20' x 30' existing Boat Shop to convert  
to Museum Gallery 6 including adequate heating and  
air conditioning. ----- Renovation ----- \$30,000.00
  6. Construct new 36'x 75" permanent Pavillion with peaked  
wood roof, wood pole uprights, poured concrete sub-base  
concrete floor with permanently secured wood floor over,  
permanent lighting and side drop curtains ----- New Construction ----- \$50,000.00
  7. Construct 8' x 40' small pier with 20' x 20' pier head  
on existing old piles (or replacements) containing a  
replica historical Oyster/Crab house ----- New Construction ----- \$20,000.00
  8. Grade and renovate area under existing shed over  
present location of the LOG CANOE and install wood  
decking plus refurbish display decking around the  
MINNOWS & MATE building all for use to display  
outside exhibits ----- Renovation ----- \$5,000.00
  9. Renovation, realignment and upgrading of Museum  
parking facilities including adequate provision for  
handicap parking plus landscaping update of the  
entire Museum grounds as appropriate ----- Renovation ----- \$50,000.00
  10. Engineering, planning and Design ----- \$15,000.00
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- PROJECT TOTAL BUDGET ----- \$650,000.00**



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ATTACHMENT A - SELECTION CRITERIA

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS

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B. Project Title: Watermen's Museum Expansion and Improvement utilizing recently acquired additional property plus partial Hurricane recovery

C. Complete the following questions providing as much detail as possible and including examples when available. Feel free to expand responses and attach additional sheets as needed.

**Relationship to Transportation** - What service or function will this project, or has this project, provided for the traveling public? How will it impact transportation?  
see attached - two pages

**Demonstrated Need** - What need(s) will this project fulfill within the community?

C. Demonstrated Need.

The Watermen's Museum founded in 1981 opened initially in conjunction with the Bi-centennial celebration of the Siege of Yorktown and the victory over Lord Cornwallis's army. Over the succeeding years the Museum has been a growing entity within the community of Yorktown and York County. This Project will permit the Museum grow much further and provide a much enhanced Historical and educational attraction on the waterfront of the Historical Village of Yorktown. With the coming of the 225<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2006 of the Siege of Yorktown and then the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2007 of the settlement of Jamestown, Watermen's Museum will be one of the significant attractions during these celebrations. Further, the Museum will then continue on as a significant historical attraction on waterfront of the York River and the Village of Yorktown within the Historic Triangle of Jamestown, Williamsburg and Yorktown,

**Project Usefulness and / or Benefit** - What purpose will this project serve and how will it benefit the community? Is there strong community support?

C. Project Usefulness and/or Benefit.

This Project will assist the Watermen's Museum to continue to grow and expand its mission, further enhancing its position on the waterfront in the Historic Village of Yorktown and the Historic Triangle of Jamestown, Williamsburg and Yorktown. The Administration and Board of Supervisors of York County as well as many local businesses have in the past and continue to support the efforts of the Watermen's Museum, with both Financial and In-Kind assistance. Similarly, local military facilities such as the U. S. Naval Weapon Station and the U. S. Coast Guard Training Center have in the past assisted and continue to assist the Museum. Residents of the many local Counties and Cities are Members of the Watermen's Museum, providing many Volunteer hours as well as financial support.

**Amenities / Support Facilities** - What facilities are available and/or included in this proposal? What means of access will be available?

**C. Amenities/Support Facilities.**

The Watermen's Museum facilities presently consist of the American Colonial Revival Manor House with ground floor galleries with handicap accessibility plus second floor administrative offices plus Archive Collections Storage. Also existing are the Carriage house with its rebuilt deck plus the tent, the Minnows & Males educational building, the small Boat Shop plus outside exhibit/exposition areas. These all presently exist on the Museum owned property with over 460 feet of frontage on Yorktown's Water Street and the York River. This proposed Project will significantly enhance these existing facilities. Access to Water Street and the Museum is via Interstate 64 and the Colonial National Parkway plus US Highway 17. In addition, during the primary tourist season plus special local events, the York County Motorized Trolley provides Visitor transportation between the Yorktown National Park Visitor Center and the Jamestown Yorktown Victory Center with a Trolley stop at the front door of the Museum. Further, numerous tour buses service Yorktown and the Museum from Williamsburg and other surrounding areas including from out of State and several small and medium size Cruise Ship visit the York River each year.

**Educational / Historical** - Explain the historic and/or scenic significance of this project. What educational experience will be provided?

The Port of York and the Village of Yorktown was established by the English Crown in 1691 essentially to promote transportation and trade between England and the then Virginia Colony. The Port of York was a leading port from then through the 18<sup>th</sup> Century. Tobacco, a most important commodity, plus many other materials and produce were transported to the Port and then the many items coming in on the ships were transported back to the outlying communities. The Watermen and their water craft were the key to this trade plying back and forth between the many tributaries of the Chesapeake Bay and the Port of York. Boat and ship building developed significantly. Many Watermen acted as pilots for the Ships entering Bay from the Atlantic Ocean including those of the French Navy which were so important in the 1781 victory over the British. During 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries saw the use of the Water continue to flourish as a means of transportation, harvesting of Oysters, Crabs and other seafood and with the Naval and Military facilities becoming very prevalent in and around the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries.

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**Project Resources** - How has the community involved itself in this project? What support has been provided? Has funding and/or land been secured? Is this a continuation of an existing project and if so, what is the status of that project?

**C. Project Resources.**

The Watermen's Museum is now entering its 23<sup>rd</sup> year of preserving and providing interpretation of the heritage of the Watermen of the Chesapeake Bay and the environment of the Chesapeake Bay. Over these past 22 years it has grown appreciably and is today a viable establishment on the York River in the Historic Village of Yorktown, annually hosting Visitors from local communities, Virginia, across the United States and even from abroad. This proposed Project with permit the Museum to continue to grow significantly particularly since it has just received from York County the properties to the East and West of the Museum's previously owned property. Thus, all land related to this Project has been secured and is Owned by the Watermen's Museum. Further, Watermen's Museum and the York County Administration are now in full accord and partnership as to the County's Waterfront Redevelopment Program and Riverwalk Project as how these will effect the waterfront and beach side of the Museum. Most of the Matching Funding required for this Project has essentially been confirmed or is confidently anticipated with contributions coming from a combination of York County, Museum Members and Friends, businesses and other organizations.

**D. If this project has received Enhancement funds in prior years, complete the following:**

Enhancement Award by Year (include Federal Enhancement funds only - do not include applicant match or other non-federal participation). Identify if the award was applied to a prior phase of a multi-phased project.

Year	Award	Applied Toward / Phase
1993	\$ NA	None - not applicable
1994	\$	
1995	\$	
1996	\$	
1997	\$	
1998	\$	
1999	\$	
2000	\$	
2001	\$	
2002	\$	
Total:	\$	

## ATTACHMENT A --

### C. Relationship to Transportation.

The Watermen's Museum was founded in 1981 under the Auspices of and as a separate committee of the Yorktown Arts Foundation to present history of the Chesapeake Bay and its Watermen. Historically the Indians who lived in area depended on the Water for food and for transportation. After their arrival the Colonists soon learned from the Native Americans that they must depend on the Bay and its tributaries for food and transportation plus protections from their enemies. Down through the history of this area, Watermen have been those independent souls who make their living on the water. They were and are be fishermen, freight haulers, ferry boat men, boat builders, Merchant and Naval blue water sailors, or dealers in seafood or other goods.

The Watermen's Museum opened in the small four room office building on the property of the late J. W. Hornsby in conjunction with the 1981 Bi-centennial Celebration of the Siege of Yorktown and the surrender of Lord Cornwallis and his British forces to the American Continental and French armies. J. W. Hornsby had gone to work on water with his father and grandfather, fished, hauled produce to Norfolk and elsewhere, and then eventually became a franchised distributor for the American Oil Company. In 1985 the Museum was re-organized as a non-stock corporation under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia and is sanctioned as a not-for-profit 501-(C)3 corporation under the regulations of the United States Internal Revenue Service and the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Taxation. That same year the Hornsby property was deeded to the Museum and the pier was completed primarily by efforts of many volunteers.

In 1987 the Museum's present main building, an American Colonial Revival Manor House built in 1935, plus its Carriage House, Field Office building and Stable, were donated to the Museum and moved across the York River from Gloucester to Yorktown. The new expanded galleries in the Manor House were opened to the public in 1989. The small four room building which housed the original Museum galleries was converted into a Gift Shop. The Carriage house was completely renovated including the addition of a large deck and was opened in 1991 for use for meetings, lectures, special events and rental to the public plus various organizations. A tent with wooden platform deck under was subsequently added to augment the utilization of the Carriage House and its deck. The Field Office was renovated, named "Minnows & Mates", and is the headquarters of the Museum's children's educational programs. The adjoining property to the East side of the Museum, then known as the "Wainwright Property" was acquired by the Museum in 1998. In 1999-2000 the 20' x 30' stable building was renovated and set up as a small boat shop primarily for restoration and maintenance of outside exhibits including Chesapeake Bay type exhibit boats

The Watermen's Museum is beginning its 23<sup>rd</sup> year of operation as a significant attraction on the water front of the York River in the Historical Village of Yorktown. In the year 2002 the Museum was open to the public for 242 days and visitation was 5727 persons. The Education Program was host to 2042 Kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade school children, teachers and parents from the 25 elementary and day schools in York, Gloucester, Mathews and James City Counties plus Newport News, Hampton, Williamsburg and Richmond. In addition the Education Program hosted several high school and adult groups from the local area as well as from out of State. Volunteer hours in 2002 approximated 4000 hours. The Museum Gift Shop sales in 2002 were \$73,350 with most of the items sold related to the Museum's Mission and served to enhance the Visitors' appreciation for the Maritime and transportation history of the region. In the year 2003, due to the impact of Hurricane "Isabel", the Museum was open for only 223 days, the Education Program attendance was down to 1472 children (none of the fall tours could be conducted) and Gift Shop sales was down some what to \$66,039. However, Volunteer hours went up somewhat due to a number of members assisting in the cleanup after Hurricane "Isabel".

ATTACHMENT A --

C. Relationship to Transportation (continued).

For several years two fishing party vessels, the 65' foot "MISS YORKTOWN" and 51' foot "SEASPRAY" plus the 63 foot dinner/cruise vessel "YORKTOWN LADY" have operated from the Museum's pier. Most recently included in the agenda of the "YORKTOWN LADY" have been narrated historical evening cruises along the Yorktown water front of the York River. Further, over the past several years several medium size Cruise Ships have anchored in the York River and used the Museum's pier to discharge their passengers for visits to "Historic Triangle" of Yorktown, Williamsburg and Jamestown.

Over the years the Watermen's Museum has also hosted a number of special events in conjunction with other organizations including the Celebrate Yorktown Committee, the York County Industrial Development administration, Virginia Institute of Marine Science, the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, etc. The last annual "Watermen's Heritage Celebration" held July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2003 brought sixty Chesapeake Bay active work boats to the Museum to participate in the Work Boat Parade and Races. Thirty exhibitors participated in this event including Virginia Institute of Marine Science, Virginia Seafood Council, U. S. Navy Exhibition Dive Team, U. S. Coast Guard Training Center Yorktown, Yorktown Fifes & Drums, Eastfield Farms Aqua-Culture Group, Meherrin Indian Tribe plus many Bay related arts and craft persons. Over 2500 persons, adults and children, visited the Museum grounds for this annual "Celebration" plus well over 50 spectator boats were moored in the York River.

Over the past several years the Watermen's Museum has been working with and negotiating with the York County Administrator and the York County Board of Supervisors in regard to the County's Waterfront Redevelopment Program and Riverwalk Project. During 2003 the agreement between York County and the Museum was concluded. The Museum agreed to an easement that would permit the York County Riverwalk and Beach Replenishment to proceed across the Museum's waterfront. In return York County would rebuild the Carriage House deck, the Museum would acquire the adjacent County properties each side of the Museum and the County would make a payment of \$75,000 to Museum. In December 2003 title to property to the East and West side of the Museum was transferred to the Watermen's Museum by York County. At that time York County also gave \$60,000 of the above noted \$75,000 to Museum which was used to pay down part of the mortgage on the "Wainwright" property the Museum acquired in 1998. The Museum now is the owner of property with approximate 460 feet of frontage on Water Street in Yorktown and the York River. Watermen's Museum is now confronted with the project of expanding its facilities and programs so as to adequately utilize all of this property plus rebuilding and/or repairing the damage at the Museum caused by Hurricane "Isabel".

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This Project will assist the Watermen's Museum to continue to grow and expand its mission, further enhancing its position on the waterfront in the Historic Village of Yorktown and the Historic Triangle of Jamestown, Williamsburg and Yorktown. The Administration and Board of Supervisors of York County as well as many local businesses have in the past and continue to support the efforts of the Watermen's Museum, with both Financial and In-Kind assistance. Similarly, local military facilities such as the U. S. Naval Weapon Station and the U. S. Coast Guard Training Center have in the past assisted and continue to assist the Museum. Residents of the many local Counties and Cities are Members of the Watermen's Museum, providing many Volunteer hours as well as financial support.

### C. Amenities/Support Facilities.

The Watermen's Museum facilities presently consist of the American Colonial Revival Manor House with ground floor galleries with handicap accessibility plus second floor administrative offices plus Archive Collections Storage. Also existing are the Carriage house with its rebuilt deck plus the tent, the Minnows & Mates educational building, the small Boat Shop plus outside exhibit/exposition areas. These all presently exist on the Museum owned property with over 460 feet of frontage on Yorktown's Water Street and the York River. This proposed Project will significantly enhance these existing facilities. Access to Water Street and the Museum is via Interstate 64 and the Colonial National Parkway plus US Highway 17. In addition, during the primary tourist season plus special local events, the York County Motorized Trolley provides Visitor transportation between the Yorktown National Park Visitor Center and the Jamestown Yorktown Victory Center with a Trolley stop at the front door of the Museum. Further, numerous tour buses service Yorktown and the Museum from Williamsburg and other surrounding areas including from out of State and several small and medium size Cruise Ship visit the York River each year.

Attachment A (continued)

C. Educational/Historical.

The Port of York and the Village of Yorktown was established by the English Crown in 1691 essentially to promote transportation and trade between England and the then Virginia Colony. The Port of York was a leading port from then through the 18<sup>th</sup> Century. Tobacco, a most important commodity, plus many other materials and produce were transported to the Port and then the many items coming in on the ships were transported back to the outlying communities. The Watermen and their water craft were the key to this trade plying back and forth between the many tributaries of the Chesapeake Bay and the Port of York. Boat and ship building developed significantly. Many Watermen acted as pilots for the Ships entering Bay from the Atlantic Ocean including those of the French Navy which were so important in the 1781 victory over the British. During 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries saw the use of the Water continue to flourish as a means of transportation, harvesting of Oysters, Crabs and other seafood and with the Naval and Military facilities becoming very prevalent in and around the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries.

THE MISSION OF THE WATERMEN'S MUSEUM IS: "TO PRESERVE THE HERITAGE OF THE WATERMEN OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY, TO INTERPRET THEIR CULTURE AND THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE REGION, TO PROVIDE AND SUPPORT EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES, AND TO PRESERVE AND ENHANCE THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY."

C. Project Resources.

The Watermen's Museum is now entering its 23<sup>rd</sup> year of preserving and providing interpretation of the heritage of the Watermen of the Chesapeake Bay and the environment of the Chesapeake Bay. Over these past 22 years it has grown appreciably and is today a viable establishment on the York River in the Historic Village of Yorktown, annually hosting Visitors from local communities, Virginia, across the United States and even from abroad. This proposed Project with permit the Museum to continue to grow significantly particularly since its has just received from York County the properties to the East and West of the Museum's previously owned property. Thus, all land related to this Project has been secured and is Owned by the Watermen's Museum. Further, Watermen's Museum and the York County Administration are now in full accord and partnership as to the County's Waterfront Redevelopment Program and Riverwalk Project as how these will effect the waterfront and beach side of the Museum. Most of the Matching Funding required for this Project has essentially been confirmed or is confidently anticipated with contributions coming from a combination of York County, Museum Members and Friends, businesses and other organizations.